

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Page 8, amend the paragraph commencing at line 4 as follows:

An image reading apparatus of the present embodiment is mounted on an apparatus having a reading section for ~~read~~reading a document, for example, a photocopying machine and a facsimile machine. The image reading apparatus carries out reading in one of a fed document reading mode (more generally called Automatic Document Feeding mode (ADF mode)) and a stationary document reading mode (hereinafter just referred to as book mode), which are switched over according to a need, where a fed-in document (a document that is being fed and is moving) (feeding-in document) is read by a fixedly-positioned reading means in the ADF mode, while the reading means is moved to read a stationary document in the book mode. Note that the cut-sheet document, which is stationary, can be read also in the book mode, in which a stationary document is read.

Page 37, amend the paragraph commencing at line 14 as follows:

In this case, ~~only at least~~as few as two planetary gears that compose the changeover means are needed to be used in order to realize that the driving forces are switched over at the time the two modes are switched over, namely the fed document reading mode and the stationary document reading mode. This further simplifies the arrangement of the changeover means.